LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

Saturday, 1st April 1950.

The Assembly met in the Assembly Hall, Old Public Offices, Bangalore, at Thirty Minutes past Eight of the Clock.

Mr. Speaker (Sri V. Venkatappa) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were given).

Mr. SPEAKER (Sri V. Venkatappa).—Question No. 109.

Amounts allotted and spent on Irrigation Works.

*Q.—109. **Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH** (Kolar General—Rural).—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amounts allotted and spent on major irrigation works in the State during the years 1947 and 1948 ;

(*b*) the amounts allotted and spent for restoration of minor tanks in the State in the above period ;

(*c*) the amounts allotted and spent on the above two counts for two years prior to 1947 ?

Sri T. MARIAPPA (Home Minister).—

A.—(*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) :—

Particulars	1945-46	
	Grant	Outlay
1	2	3
1 Irrigation works.	Rs. 41,30,000	Rs. 32,18,883
2 Restoration of Minor Tanks.	5,00,000	4,07,799

Particulars	1946-47	
	Grant	Outlay
	4	5
1 Irrigation works.	Rs. 53,40,000	Rs. 39,77,089
2 Restoration of Minor Tanks.	5,00,000	5,60,913

Particulars	1947-48	
	Grant	Outlay
	6	7
1 Irrigation works.	Rs. 84,60,000	Rs. 52,44,646
2 Restoration of Minor Tanks.	5,00,000	6,50'140

Particulars	1948-49	
	Grant	Outlay
	8	9
1 Irrigation works.	Rs. 88,51,500	Rs. 59,15,671
2 Restoration of Minor Tanks.	15,00,000	8,59,290

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—Will the Government be pleased to state why the annual allotments were not spent during the year?

***Sri T. MARIAPPA.**—There were various reasons; want of personnel, want of materials, want of petrol.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—Is it due to the delay on the part of the Public Works Department?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—I do not think so.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—Was it due to the fact that blue-prints were not ready?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—In some cases it may be due to delay in the sanction of estimates due to technical scrutiny.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA (Shimoga District—General).—Please see the grant for the year 1947-48 under item No. 1: does it include the provision made for post-war development schemes under irrigation also?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Yes.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—Then, why is it that in item No. 2. Restoration of minor tanks, provision of Rs. 5 lakhs made under post-war development scheme has not been included?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—It is included. Hon'ble Member may kindly see that a sum of Rs. 5 lakhs for 1947-48 has been transferred to post-war development schemes in the new Budget.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—In 1947-48 the previous Ministry made provision of Rs. 5 lakhs for those works. Under Post-war development scheme another sum of Rs. 5 lakhs is provided. I read the extract for the information of the House that for the post-war development schemes, out of Rs. 5 lakhs provided, only a sum of Rs. 1,01,400 was spent. And the grant is only Rs. 5 lakhs instead of Rs. 10 lakhs shown; why is it?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—The grant was only Rs. 5 lakhs for 1947-48 so far as Restoration of Minor Tanks was concerned. I want notice to verify that information.

Sri L. SIDDAPPA.—I believe it is not intended to say that the previous Ministry made a meagre provision for these works?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—*It* is not so.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY (Kolar District—General).—How many major works are under construction now.

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—I have given this information. Now I have not got that information. I can give you some time later.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—How many minor tanks are under restoration?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Seven hundred and seventy are under progress this year.

Sri H. C. LINGA REDDY.—Has it come to the notice of Government that lands in tank beds are given for cultivation and due to this the tanks are silted up?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—It is true; but the lands were disposed of long ago.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ರಾಮಾಚಾರ್‌ರವರು (ಕೋಲಾರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ).—ಈ ಕೆಲಸಗಳು ನಡೆಯದಿರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕೂಲಿ ದರ ಕಡಿಮೆಯಾಗಿ ಕಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರುಗಳ ಅಭಾವವಾಗಿರುವುದೇ ಕಾರಣವೆಂಬುದು ತಮ್ಮ ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಮರಿಯಪ್ಪನವರು.—ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆ. ಸಾಮಾನುಗಳ ಬೆಲೆ ಜಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ ಕಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರುಗಳು ಕೆಲಸ ಬಿಟ್ಟು ರಿವೈಸ್ಡ್ ಎಸ್ಟಿಮೇಟ್ ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿ ಬಂದ ಅನೇಕ ನಿದರ್ಶನಗಳಿವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ರಾಮಾಚಾರ್‌ರವರು.—ಈ ಕಾಲಕ್ಕನುಗುಣವಾಗಿ ದರಗಳನ್ನು ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದಿದೆಯೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಮರಿಯಪ್ಪನವರು.—ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಇದನ್ನು regularise ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಎಲ್ಲೆಲ್ಲಿ ಕಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟರುಗಳ ಕಸೂರಿಯಿದೆಯೋ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರು ಬರೆದುಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಕಸೂರಿಯ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ನೋಡಿ ಕಸೂರಿಯೇನೂ ಇಲ್ಲದಿರುವ ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಯೋಚನೆಮಾಡಿ ತಕ್ಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ಕೈಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ರಂಗರಾಮಯ್ಯನವರು (ಮೈಸೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ).—1948-49ರಲ್ಲಿ 8,59,200 ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳನ್ನು ಖರ್ಚುಮಾಡಿ ಕೈಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಪೈಕಿ ಪೂರ್ತಿಯಾಗಿರುವುದೆಷ್ಟು, ಆಗದಿರುವುದೆಷ್ಟು ಎಂಬ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆಯನ್ನು ಹೇಳುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಮರಿಯಪ್ಪನವರು.—ಆ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ಆಗಲೇ ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Mysore District—General).—Are the Government aware that the rates proposed and approved by the department, as mentioned in the schedule of rates are deliberately kept lower than the prevailing rates?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—I do not admit that.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Then if the rates in the schedule are workable

rates, how on earth it could be true that the rates provided for them cannot be worked?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—My friend is making a mistake. The question is, supposing we get schedule rate for this year. In the process of scrutiny and sanction, there is lapse of time and again rates will have to be revised.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—My question is this. Just now, in a reply given to an Hon'ble Member, the Hon'ble Minister was pleased to state that the rates provided for were workable rates. I beg to submit that the rates provided are the scheduled rates. If the scheduled rates are less, it means that it is not a workable rate. The question that I put was, whether the schedule of rates proposed and approved by the Chief Engineer represents the workable rates?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Rates for each year vary according to the prices of material and the cost of labour. Therefore, they have to be revised either yearly or once in two years.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Have the Government instructed the Chief Engineer to put workable rates in the schedule?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Yes.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—And will the Government see that the schedule of rates will be workable in different regions and there is no delay?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Certainly. It is the intention of Government that there should be no delay. As early as possible, rates have to be fixed and they have to be sanctioned.

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Are the Government aware that the delay is also partly due to the centralisation of the powers of sanction and also acceptance of tenders?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—That does not arise at all.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Next question.

Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies.

*Q.—113. **Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH** (Kolar District—General).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of (i) taluk and (ii) circle multi-purpose societies that have been established in the State;

(*b*) the share capital collected by them;

(*c*) the total amount of turn-over in the said societies?

A.—**Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—

(*a*) (i) 82.

(ii) 743.

(*b*) (i) Taluk Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies: Rs. 4,96,395.

(ii) Circle Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies: Rs. 19,80,780.

(*c*) (i) Taluk Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies: Rs. 36,90,000.

(ii) Circle Multi-purpose Co-operative Societies: Rs. 1,00,30,500. (This is for a period of nine months.)

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—When was the co-operative movement started in the Mysore State?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—In 1904-1905.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—When were the multi-purpose co-operative societies started?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—After 13th April 1949.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—In this period how many urban and rural societies were established?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—On 31st December 1948 the number of societies was as follows:—

		Rs.
Urban	...	692
Rural	...	1,167

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—May I know what their share capital is?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Urban—Rs. 57 lakhs odd; Rural as on 31st December 1948—Rs. 9 lakhs odd.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—Total membership?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—Urban as on 31st December 1948—122,045; Rural 96,136.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—Working Capital?

Sri T. MARIAPPA.—I will give the figure as on 1st April 1948—it was Rs. 4,16,36,000.

Sri K. SAMPANGI RAMIAH.—What is the number of multi-purpose co-operative societies, taluk and circle?